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## REPORT

### To Our Reader - Owners

#### IMPORTANT!

Robert Moses has held so many important positions in New York City's and New York State's government, holding many of them simultaneously, that when he quit a lot of those jobs recently to head up preparations for the world's fair the little city on the Hudson is planning, people could hardly believe it. How would this or that job be done if Robert Moses wasn't doing it?

Many long time incumbents in union offices get to feeling that, like Robert Moses, the job just couldn't be done if they weren't there to do it. This, of course, isn't a fault of union officers only—corporation big shots suffer the same mental quirk.

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#### DEPUFFED

Jack Pickett, editor of the California Farmer, tells how he got to feeling all puffed up not long ago, but, "as fate would have it, the very next piece of literature we turned over on the desk" was one which thoroughly, he says, deflated and depuffed him. The piece of literature he refers to was a scrabble of anonymous verses which included this stanza:

"Sometimes when you feel that  
your going  
Would leave an unfillable hole,  
Just follow this simple instruction.  
And see how it humbles your  
soul:  
Take a bucket and fill it with  
water,  
Put your hand in it, up to the  
wrist,  
Pull it out, and the hole that's  
remaining,  
Is a measure of how you'll be  
missed.  
You may splash all you please  
when you enter,  
You can stir up the water galore,  
But stop, and you'll find in a  
minute  
That it looks quite the same as  
before."

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#### INDISPENSABLE

That's indispensable reading for all indispensable men, whether they be Robert Moses, union officers, corporation heads—or editors.

### Key strike vote

Members of Carmen's Division 192 have authorized their negotiating committee to call a strike against Key System, if necessary, any time after their contract expires May 31.

### Culinary 823

An important notice for members of Hayward Culinary 823 will be found on page 5.

## OFFICIAL NOTICES

Unions will find notices of important meetings called by their officers on page 5 of this issue of the Journal.

# Symington meet-the-candidate lunch June 1—primary windup

## NAM aiming its big guns at situs bill, BTC learns

A vicious campaign has been launched by the National Assn. of Manufacturers against the Kennedy - Thompson "common situs picketing" bill (HR 9070).

Newsletters have been mailed out to editors, telling them that ballots are available for newspaper ads, J. L. Childers, business representative for the Building Trades Council, told delegates at last week's meeting.

The ballots are meant to be clipped out and sent to congressmen.

"Nine-tenths of the ballot is anti-labor, twisted out of all proportion and doesn't have anything to do with the bill," Childers emphasized.

Even if they don't mail in the ballots, readers are likely to be misled by the tricky wording, Childers said.

Earlier in the meeting, BTC Secretary-treasurer John Davy announced that a letter had been received from the AFL-CIO Building and Construction Trades Department on the "common situs" bill.

It is "most urgent," C. J. Haggerty, the department's new president, wrote, that local building trades councils do the following:

1. Ask each affiliated local union to have members write their congressmen, asking them

to use their influence to have HR 9070 reported out of the Rules Committee and to vote for the bill.

2. Request central labor councils in their areas to adopt similar resolutions, and

3. Have building trades locals use their influence with contractors, having them write their congressmen, too.

Haggerty further suggested that the BTC write both Senators Clair Engle and Thomas Kuchel and each member of the California delegation in the House of Representatives.

"If we are to be successful in getting relief from the Denver Building Trades Rule," Haggerty said in his letter, "we must counteract the tremendous anti-labor letter writing campaign being waged by the NAM, U.S. Chamber of Commerce, National Assn. of Home Builders and other employer groups."

On May 6, the AFL-CIO Executive Council unanimously adopted a resolution calling for adoption of the "common situs" bill.

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#### NO CLC MEETING

Since Monday is Memorial Day, there will be no Central Labor Council meeting.

### COPE endorsements

The following candidates have been endorsed by the Alameda County Committee on Political Education, COPE, AFL-CIO:

#### CONGRESS DISTRICTS

7. Jeffery Cohelan (D)

8. George P. Miller (D)

#### ASSEMBLY DISTRICTS

13. Carlos Bee (D)

14. Robert W. Crown (D)

15. Nicholas C. Petris (D)

16. Wilma B. Hackett (D)

17. William B. Rumford (D)

18. Edw. R. FitzSimmons (D)

#### SUPERVISOR DISTRICTS

1. Chester "Chet" Stanley

2. Boliver Moore

### CLC gives an assist to Office Workers 29 in beef with Hayes group

An unfair labor practice charge has been filed with the NLRB against Employee Program Administrators and its manager, Gilbert Hayes, according to Dick Groulx, assistant secretary of the Central Labor Council.

Groulx told CLC delegates that Hayes, while negotiating for a contract with Office Workers 29, called in representatives of Teamsters Freight Checkers, Handlers and Helpers 856 and signed a contract with them for his office employees.

According to Groulx, Teamsters 856 is a client of Hayes' health and welfare plan office, located at 3966 Piedmont Ave.

## COPE maps drive for next two weekends

Sen. Stuart Symington of Missouri, a leading contender for the Democratic presidential nomination, will appear at a "meet-the-candidate" luncheon sponsored by the Alameda County Committee on Political Education June 1.

The luncheon, to be held at noon at Goodman's, Jack London Square, is expected to be the first in a series sponsored by COPE at which labor and the general public will get a chance to shake hands with and listen to talks by leading presidential contenders.

Tickets will be five dollars. Proceeds will go to Alameda County COPE, according to Ed Reith, COPE director.

"We hope in this way to acquaint local people with national figures in the current presidential race," Reith said.

On the local level, COPE is making plans for a big effort by volunteer workers to contact registered union members, this weekend and next, urging them to vote.

Reith pointed out that the two weekends are the only remaining ones before the June 7 primary election.

Persons who want to help in contacting voters — and who haven't already volunteered — may phone the Central Labor Council office.

Reith announced that slate cards, listing COPE - endorsed candidates, are being printed and will be available from the CLC office next week.

The cards will assist voters in being sure that they cast their ballots for candidates who have the official backing of organized labor in Alameda County.

These candidates, picked because their records show support of labor's goals, are also listed on the front page of this week's East Bay Labor Journal.

Reith said COPE - endorsed candidates are currently winding up their primary election campaigns.

He pointed out, however, that Congressmen Jeffery Cohelan and George P. Miller—COPE-endorsed incumbents in the Seventh and Eighth districts, respectively—have been too busy in Washington, D. C., to do much campaigning.

Cohelan and Miller have been engaged in the fight for passage of adequate civil rights legislation and the Forand bill, Reith pointed out, and, for this reason, are particularly deserving of a strong vote from organized labor in the June 7 balloting.



225 TO GRADUATE—Anthony Merriman, left, of 166 Doris Dr., Pleasant Hill, an electric motor repair apprentice who belongs to IBEW Local 595, Oakland, is one of 225 apprentices from some 50 crafts who will receive completion certificates at the annual East Bay Apprenticeship Completion Ceremony June 6 at Goodman's Jack London Hall. Merriman is employed at the California Electric Co., Oakland. Others, from left, are Ralph De Lapp, supervisor; S. E. Rockwell of IBEW Local 595, and Walter Vance of the apprenticeship committee.—Photo courtesy of Oakland Tribune.



## HOW TO BUY

### June cuts on appliances, used cars

By SIDNEY MARGOLIUS

Labor Consumer Advisor for Labor Journal

There are some excellent buying opportunities for moderate-income families this June. Used car prices have taken a sharp drop. Appliance manufacturers and retailers are cutting prices of refrigerators, washers, ranges, other appliances, and also offering more of the low-cost stripped models. Some of these appliances are being offered this June at lowest prices since World War II.

Women's dresses, other summer clothing items also are sale-priced this month. Even prices of shoes are edging downward, although the annual July shoe sales next month will offer better values.

This is not to say that the cost of living itself is going down. Food prices are moving up this summer. Costs of medical care have risen 4 per cent in the past 12 months and are still edging up. But in appliances and clothing there are genuine bargains this spring. Here are tips on current buying opportunities:

**CARS:** Success of the compact cars has forced a real price drop on used models. Apparently many families who ordinarily would buy a used car instead are buying new compacts. Prices of used cars which went up 12 per cent from '58 to '59, so far this year have come back down 8 per cent, sharpest decline in used car prices in several years.

Dealer quotations for new cars also have dropped unusually sharply this spring as the result of heavy inventories and factory inducements to dealers to push out cars.

Here's a seven-point basic guide to buying a used car:

1—It's generally more economical to buy a smaller late-model car than an older model of a big expensive car. The older car

usually will need repairs sooner, and costlier repairs at that.

2—Don't concentrate just on the price of the car. It's as important, if not more so, to consider the condition.

3—Low mileage is not always an assurance of good condition. The car "owned by a little old lady who drove it only on Sundays to church" may be in worse condition, with a heavier accumulation of carbon, than a car driven more frequently on long, fast highway trips.

4—Most frequent mistake of used car buyers is to buy without a test ride. Beware the dealer who won't let you try out the car.

5—Make sure the dealer is reliable. Are his prices clearly shown? Does he have the models he advertises? Does he have his own service department to back up his claims of reconditioning?

6—Shop at least several dealers to get an idea of comparative values.

Read the guaranty with care. One district attorney reports that some warranties are worded so that repairs really were not guaranteed on all parts of the car.

**APPLIANCES:** Not only has competition forced price cutting on many household appliances, but manufacturers are producing more of the lower-price standard models without deluxe features. These generally provide best value. They give you the basic appliance without the gadgets. In fact, extra gadgets on appliances often mean more frequent and costlier repair bills.

Among appliances currently being offered at reduced prices are washing machines and dryers, refrigerators, freezers, television sets (closeouts of this year's models), vacuum cleaners and sewing machines.

### Many still don't finish school

The Department of Health, Education, and Welfare estimates that four out of every 10 teen-agers now drop out of high school without graduating. Only about 12 percent of the remainder go on to graduate from college.

A high school graduate earns \$30,000 more over a lifetime than the high school drop-out, and \$50,000 more than the elementary school graduate.

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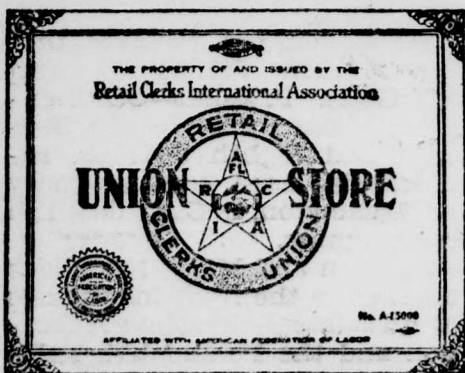
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## To the Ladies: FROM the EDITOR

**THIS YOUNG FELLOW**—he's only 16—had been "going steady" with a 15-year-old, and soon found himself married and a prospective father. He'd never worked in his life, never even tried to get an odd job in the summer, as his indulgent parents supplied him with pocket money.

So there was a great hustling around among the adults to dig up a job for his young lordship now that he was a husband and prospective father. Soon by great good luck a friend of a friend of the family turned up who was willing to give the kid a job at \$2.50 an hour in his small enterprise.

When warned that the kid might not be worth that much an hour, the benevolent enterpriser said, "If he'll pitch in and work, I'll get my two and a half bucks out of him."

**THE FIRST DAY** at the end of some six hours the boss had to go on an errand he thought would take several hours. But it didn't; he was back in an hour, and discovered that the kid had already left for home an hour early.

Next morning an hour after starting time the kid hadn't showed up. The boss climbed into his car, went to the lad's home and found him still in bed; he'd been to a party that lasted until 2 a.m. and had, he explained, "overslept." The boss told him to hustle into his clothes, and took him to the shop.

By noon the kid had yawned and loafed so much the boss paid him off and said, "Get the hell out of here—you're no good."

**THE NUMBER** of young people in the U.S. reaching 18 this year, ready to join the labor force, is figured at 2.6 million; by 1965 it's figured the number per year will be up to 3.8 million, a rise of nearly 50 per cent over 1960.

Wonder how many mothers will by that time have raised their boys to enter the labor force in the condition of this one whose exploits have just been described?

### They really had it soft!

Salvatore Bruzzese, 30 years old, denied he was harming his four children by making them beg for money in the main streets of Rome, according to Corriere della Sera of Milan, as reported by NANA.

He pointed out that he picked them up in his automobile every evening after their day's work, and often treated them to ice cream.

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### She says ads set for free

What makes women buy? Janet Wolff, the author of a book of the same name, has the answer.

Mrs. Wolff should know. The wife of a physician and the mother of three small children, her dual life includes a successful job as a copy chief at the J. Walter Thompson advertising agency.

Mrs. Wolff cited many reasons why women buy as they do today.

According to Mrs. Wolff, it was not with the right to vote that women became independent. It has been within the last 10 years, with the influence of television, magazines, newspapers, radio and retail store ads, that women's thinking has become important to many people in many fields.

## BBB warns on household wiring TV antennas

Legal action has been taken against two socket TV antenna promoters, both of whom advertised in this area, according to the Better Business Bureau of Metropolitan Oakland.

Both types of antenna were advertised by New York firms for order by mail, B. Charles Wansley, BBB president, said.

A fraud complaint was issued by the U.S. post office in New York in connection with the advertising, promotion and sale of the "Mark III Radar Antenna" against Eugene Stevens, Inc., of New York.

The advertising claimed the antenna would turn household wiring into "a giant TV antenna."

The promoter of Radarex-Tenna, "a new invention from United States Electronic Research," has been ordered to show cause by the New York State attorney general's office why he should not be enjoined from false advertising practices.

The promoter, Charles Torelli, doing business as Mono-Matic Co., was even more specific in his ads than the other firm.

He said his device would turn house wiring into "a super power 500-foot TV antenna" and a "television antenna longer than the antenna atop the Empire State Building."

The gadget sold for \$3.98, and Torelli was said to have collected over \$117,000.

In a court judgment, the company was ordered to make refunds within 15 days after required. Justice Irving Sapiro ordered the company to put \$10,000 in escrow to pay the claims if the company does not make good. If this is necessary, the company must pay an extra \$50 a claim.

"Despite the advertised claims," the BBB said, "a testing laboratory found the device did not provide as good a picture as standard types of antenna and, in some cases, the picture was much worse."

### All the phases of man's love

Bennett Cerf credits a Wall Street statistician with producing a Kinsey report of his own. According to this statistical genius, a man's relationship with the opposite sex can be divided into seven stages:

1. Wha-a-a! I want my mummy!
2. G'wan, beat it. We don't want no old girls playing with us.
3. Gee, Alice, you're beautiful.
4. If you don't marry me, I'll shoot myself!
5. All right, go home to mother and see if I care!
6. I admit she is considerably younger than me, Alice, but she understands me.
7. Kichy-koo! Did you hear that, Alice? She said "grandpa" as plain as anything.

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## Groulx lashes port authority for being 'two-faced' to labor

Dick Groulx, assistant secretary of the Central Labor Council, accused the Oakland Port Authority of a two-faced approach to unions at the latest hearing of the Golden Gate Authority Commission.

The port authority recommended that the proposed Golden Gate Authority be stripped of its provisions for recognizing labor unions and entering into collective bargaining with them, Groulx told the CLC last week.

Groulx pointed out that this is in direct contradiction to the port authority's dues checkoff system, which recognizes the rights of unions representing its employees.

The Golden Gate Authority would govern ports, bridges and airports in the Bay Area. If it is created, the Bay Area's coordinated facilities would be able to compete effectively with Los Angeles and other cities—not just with each other, Groulx said.

According to testimony at the meeting, Oakland airport is working at 8 per cent of capacity. San Francisco airport handles 92 per cent of capacity.

Organized labor in Alameda County favors creation of the Golden Gate Authority, Groulx told the group, but opposes the Oakland authority's efforts to sabotage unions.

## M-W Teamos get 19-24 cent hikes

Employees of the Montgomery Ward & Co. store in Oakland will get wage increases ranging from 19 to 24 cents an hour under a nationwide contract announced by Teamsters President James R. Hoffa.

Hoffa said the company agreed to open the contract voluntarily.

Secretary Tom Connor of Oakland Warehouse Local 853 of the International Brotherhood of Teamsters said the main effect locally will be at the Oakland store. Increases were negotiated separately at San Leandro May 6 as a new location.

An estimated 2,000 are affected locally. Women will receive increases from a basic minimum to \$1.76 an hour.

## CLC delegates

New delegates to the Central Labor Council include:

Joseph Friedberg, Optical Technicians 18791; Emerson Gould, Printing Specialties 678; Moses Levy and John Stevens, San Leandro Teachers 1285; Joseph Sinnott, Stereotypers 29, and Jessie White, Laundry Workers 2.

## Carpenters 1149

An important notice for members of Carpenters 1149 will be found on page 5.

## Mitchell plunks for the Whittier whiz

Secretary of Labor James P. Mitchell visited the Bay Area last week.

At a press conference, he predicted that Vice President Nixon will be elected president because of "experience, ability, courage and training."

In a speech at the University of California, he scattered a few crumbs for the working classes.

He hoped the nation would do something about job discrimination because of race and age and the plight of the migrant worker.

"Studies show a minimum wage would be practicable for them (agricultural workers) and I hope these findings will lead to action by Congress."

Mitchell said a bill will be proposed to Congress to tighten up on the importation of Mexican Nationals.

But the farmer groups are pulling political strings like crazy, he admitted.

"I've never met such virulent opposition as on this question," the secretary said. "Last time I mentioned it I had 48 Congressmen on my doorstep the next morning."

Mitchell, incidentally, denied again that he's a candidate for the vice presidency, GOP style, but said he's available in case they offer him the nomination.

## Childers appointed to advisory board

J. L. Childers, business representative for the Building Trades Council, has been named to the nine-member Alameda County State College Advisory Board.

Childers was notified of his appointment in a letter from Assemblyman Carlos Bee of Hayward.

The appointment was made by the State Board of Education upon the recommendation of Roy E. Simpson, state superintendent of public instruction, and Fred Harclerod, college president.

Bee, speaker pro tempore of the Assembly, wrote the bill bringing the new state college to Alameda County.

## Testimonial dinner for Dan Del Carlo

Dan Del Carlo, for many years secretary-treasurer and business representative of the San Francisco Building Trades Council, will be honored at a testimonial dinner at the Fairmont Hotel June 28.

The occasion will be Del Carlo's appointment to the State Industrial Accident Commission by Governor Brown.

Proceeds from the \$25-a-plate dinner will be used to establish a fellowship in Del Carlo's name at the City of Hope, to be applied to treatment of heart diseases.

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## Letter carrier averts possible catastrophe

Woodrow Besson, a member of Letter Carriers 4111, is credited with quick thinking when he saw smoke coming out of some shrubs next to house in San Lorenzo.

He grabbed a hose and put the fire out, possibly saving a infant who was inside.

Besson then called the Fire Department. Its investigation showed that the blaze was set by four small children playing with matches. The parents promised to take proper action.

## Census miss you?

The City of Oakland loses \$8 for every person missed by the census taker, according to City Manager Wayne E. Thompson. If you have not been counted, call TEmplebar 2-3600 and you will receive a special form. The deadline is approaching.

City officials emphasized that the census figure of 361,082 published last weekend is only a preliminary one, and the count is still in progress. The figure is 45,000 under estimates and has caused considerable alarm at City Hall because of possible loss of revenues.

## Not 1, but 2 jobs ahead for COPE!

Not one, but two jobs lie ahead Secretary-treasurer Robert S. Ash reminds all COPE delegates. In a letter mailed out last week, Ash said:

"We, here in Alameda County COPE, have a couple of big political jobs coming up: (1) the primary election on June 7 and (2) the registration campaign beginning right after the primary."

"It is necessary that we muster all the organized effort possible for these jobs," Ash declared, "to run up a big vote for our labor candidates."

Ash said he wants all COPE delegates to contact them concerning the job they prefer—addressing and stuffing envelopes, clerical work on registration, precinct work or actual registration.

In addition, he wants the names of any friends or interested union members willing to work for COPE.

"It is important that we do a job on these matters and that we channel all activity through our COPE," Ash said.

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## Steelworkers and Kaiser hold second no-shutdown pact meeting in Oakland

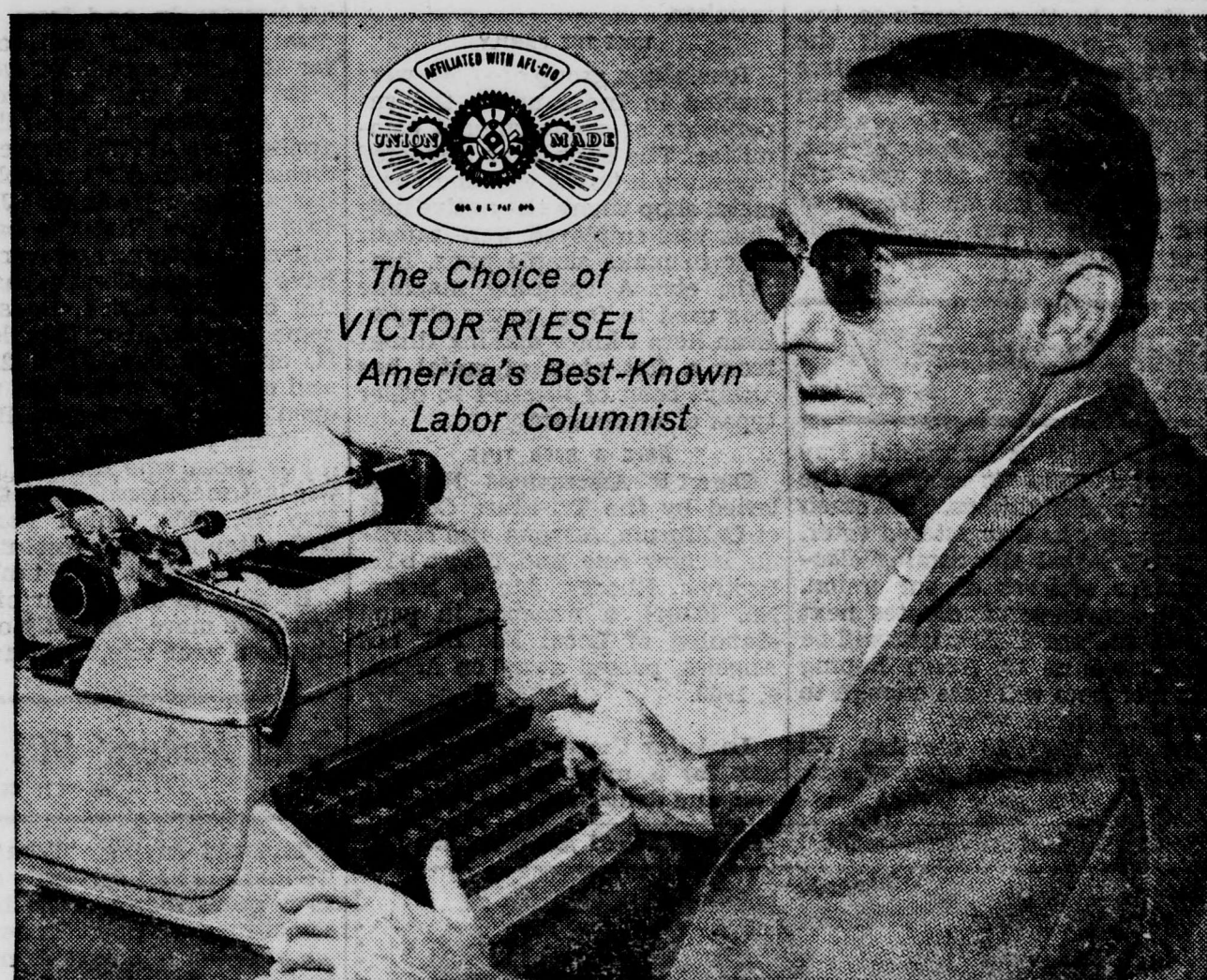
The second full - committee session of the proposed Kaiser-United Steelworkers of America pact to prevent future shutdowns in the steel industry was held in Oakland.

USW President David J. McDonald said: "If there's determination on the part of the rest of the industry as has been expressed by Kaiser, we will find a way to eliminate the necessity of future shutdowns."

Another meeting of the nine-man panel is expected in September.

## Berkeley Women Voters distribute pro's and con's

The League of Women Voters of Berkeley has distributed free 5,000 pros and cons on local ballot measures and candidates' questionnaires. At the same time, 5,000 pros and cons on state ballot measures which will be voted upon on June 7, and which were compiled and printed by the League of Women Voters of California, went out to interested organizations.



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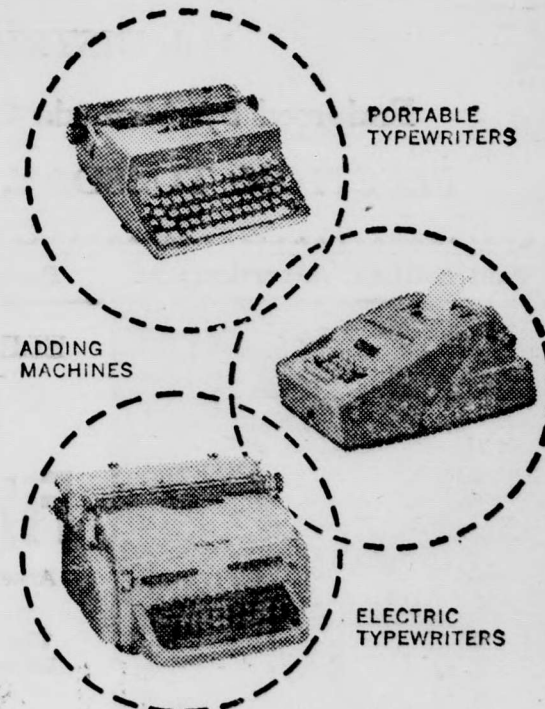
## THE UNION-MADE Remington HAS WHAT IT TAKES!

WHEN famed labor journalist Victor Riesel needed a new typewriter recently, none but the best would do. It had to be fast because last-minute news often requires that an entire column be written minutes before an inflexible deadline. It had to be dependable, because the precious minutes spent waiting for a repairman are a luxury no newspaperman can afford. It had to be sturdy to withstand the rough treatment handed out day after day by a busy reporter with neither the time nor inclination to pamper a typewriter. And, because Victor Riesel has devoted his career to Trade Union Movement, it had to be Union Made.

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## Painters Local No. 127

By MARVIN EDWARDS

We, as individuals, should do nothing which reflects poorly on Labor's good name.

Realizing that the acts of an individual may set the pattern of praise or criticism for the union as a whole, we should think carefully before we speak or act. Remembering that the acts of some in the labor movement have called forth investigating committees and caused unjust punitive legislation to be levied against the major portion of honest and dedicated laboring people, we should weed out those in our midst who would continue to bring this destruction upon us; and furthermore, we should examine our own motives and actions to be sure that they are in the best interests of our union and our Brotherhood.

Given an opportunity, those out to destroy unionism will blow up individual incidents to indict the entire labor movement. All of us know in our hearts that these "groups" would turn back the clock thirty years if they could. They prefer the time when several hundred men would fight over three or four jobs.

We can prevent a catastrophe such as this if we remain honest in our dealings and make sure that our brothers remain so, too.

And we should get off the defensive! We have been there quite some time now. We can counter our enemies by practicing one of the old rules of war. "The best defense is a good offense." Whether we like it or not... this IS war... economic and political.

## Steel Machinists 1304

By DAVE ARCA

Next week is Memorial Day weekend. Take it easy on the streets and highways. That crash victim may be a registered voter.

Don't forget the coming election for officers of our union. We'll nominate candidates next meeting, June 2. Elections will be held on June 16. Here's hoping our members will care enough to take note, and vote.

At our May 19 meeting, Ed Reith, Director of Alameda County COPE, gave a nice pres-

entation of why political activity is important to unions. Too bad our wives weren't there. Ed's a nice looking COPE director.

See you at our meeting next Thursday. Come down and nominate someone for something.

## Sheet Metal Snips

By AL ARELLANO

If a few of you are thinking of whether membership in a union pays off, rest your mind.

REMEMBER LABOR DAY PICNIC

A recent survey of the Department of Labor showed that in a group of eighteen industries, union members received more than eight percent than non-union members. This did not include any of the fringe benefits which added another ten or fifteen percent.

OBTAIN YOUR TICKETS NOW

The above story is in itself not a true story of the good a union does. Wherever you have unions fairly strong, those companies that have no unions only bring their wages up because of the wage level that prevails around them; so anyone can see that a union not only bargains for his own members but indirectly for all workers everywhere. Most all union legislative programs benefit "Mr. Average American" rather than the union member.

TAKE THE FAMILY

Recently a group of shops were erected in India under the supervision of a government committee. The shop that attracted the most interest was the sheet metal shop where the native help that was employed were taught how to make simple pans, funnels, etc. A spinning machine was used to form many shapes. Even here I know making things from a flat piece of metal has always been of interest to other types of mechanics.

HAVE A GOOD TIME

Death Assessment No. 444 levied by the Tri-State Council of California, Arizona and Nevada is now due and payable. Brother Rhodes James Neece, No. 133044, a mmeber in good standing of Local No. 108, Los Angeles, passed away on March 4, 1960.

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## Steamfitters Local 342

By JIM MARTIN

The California State Apprenticeship Contest will be held on June 9, 10 and 11, 1960, at the Polytechnic College in San Luis Obispo, California.

The fifth year pipefitter and plumber winners will represent the State of California at Purdue University in Lafayette, Indiana, August 15-19, 1960, at which time the United Association will conduct the Sixth International Apprenticeship Contest to determine the first, second and third pipefitter and plumber winners. These apprentices will compete for prize monies of \$1,000, \$500 and \$250 and other awards.

This union's local contest, just finished, show apprentices Tom Dulle and James Shattuck, fifth and fourth year winners, respectively. They were awarded watches as a reward for winning first place in our local contest.

The employment situation is beginning to brighten some as Badger Manufacturing Co. starts its operation at the Standard Oil refinery and will gradually increase employment. The Bechtel Co. should be ready for a few fitters and welders at its Hercules powder plant in Pinole sometimes in June. Midwest Co., Pittsburgh, has recalled some of the personnel who had been laid off previously, and from all indications this job will continue for the next couple of weeks.

No doubt, you have received your sample ballot regarding the application of the 25 cent increase, due under our collective bargaining agreement July 1, 1960. We feel that the ballot is self-explanatory; however if you have any questions please call the business office. Be sure to come to the Labor Temple, Hall H, on Thursday, June 2, 1960, and cast your vote. Polls will be open from 7 to 10 p.m. Be sure to bring your dues book.

For those who did not attend our last membership meeting on May 19, 1960, which was very well attended, the resolution to reduce the dues was tabled.

Be sure to advise our office if you have moved recently or have changed your telephone number.

## Paint Makers' 1101

By PETE CEREMELLO

The old saying, "What fools we mortals be," certainly applies to a great many of us because sometimes we don't know when we are well off. Just came back to the office from a visit to two of our brothers: namely, Lloyd Silva and Andrew Ellis. Brother Ellis was in a serious accident and Brother Silva has a serious illness. They were in fine spirits and would appreciate visits from brother and sisters members and friends.

Lloyd Silva is at the Peralta Hospital, Room 303.

Andrew Ellis is at the Merritt Hospital, Room 324.

Best wishes for a speedy recovery for the brothers and we hope to see their smiling faces back with us soon.

Sister Louise Shaw is in need of three pints of blood. She is recovering well from her opera-

tion. For details contact the office.

Fine reports were given at the last meeting by Brothers Bill Bringham, Bill Zubiate, Frank Bowman and Larry Alvers on Central Labor Council, COPE and District Council of Painters meetings. It would be good if more of our brothers and sisters would attend the meetings because it is mighty discouraging to see only 21 brothers at a meeting. If any one has any legal ideas on how to get the membership to turn out for the regular meetings PLEASE send same to the Executive Board so that they can give the idea their full consideration. All for now.

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## Watchmakers Local 101

By GEORGE F. ALLEN

It is once again that time of the year when the members are allowed to change their insurance coverage from the Group Indemnity Plan to the Kaiser Foundation, or from the Kaiser Foundation to the Group Indemnity Plan. As you know, this choice occurs once every six months and if you desire to change you must notify the office on or before Friday, June 3.

Ah-Shew Won, one of our members working at the Hawthorne Watch Co., visited the office the other day and we can assure you that his wife, Lai-Kuen, made him the happiest father we have seen for many a moon. He was really bubbling over with the information that his wife had presented him with a new baby daughter, Lena Yee Won, born on May 1, weighing 7 pounds 12 ounces, in the Chinese Hospital. Brother Won now has three children, two daughters and a son. We extend our congratulations to both mother and father.

## Hayward Painters 1178

By WILEY H. MOUNTJOY

Now Hear This ! ! ! - -

The movement to build a Hayward Boys Club is well under way. You are hereby alerted to be ready to donate some of your free time. Many of our members helped at San Leandro Boys Club. We know many more will be willing to do at least as much for Hayward. We will let you know.

Ex-member Dick DeMello is now licensed and doing business with his partner, Kirkhouse, as Mello-House Painting Co.—The best of luck, boys.

These days some of our brothers are laboring under the burden of having to make a decision: to go to work now, or to go fishing one more time.

Harry Herman entered Peralta Hospital with an infected knee, might need an operation. We hope for your speedy recovery, Harry.

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## Chips and Chatter

By AL THOMAS

For the information of all concerned, the contract changes in wage rates and fringes are effective on the following dates and amounts:

H&W — 11 cents per hour as of May 1, 1960.

Wages — \$3.72½ per hour as of June 16.

Vacation — 15 cents per hour as of June 16.

Pension — 10 cents per hour as of June 16.

This is on the master agreement and basic rates. For any other information, refer to your contract or see your business agents.

## UNION CORRESPONDENTS—

our columnists, that is—should take note of the fact that Monday, May 30, is a union holiday at the East Bay Labor Journal. Get your copy in Thursday.

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# OFFICIAL UNION NOTICES

## AUTOMOTIVE MACHINISTS 1546

There will be a special order of business at our next regular meeting Tuesday, June 7, 1960, to act on the report on the subject of Smith & Parrish and the workmen's compensation problems.

You are herewith officially notified that Lodge 1546 meets in regular session on the first and third Tuesday of each month at the hour of 8:00 p.m. in the Labor Temple, 2315 Valdez Street, Oakland 12, California.

Meeting hall will be posted on the bulletin board in the lobby of said Temple and you are herewith officially requested to be in attendance.

Fraternally,  
A. J. HAYES,  
Recording Secretary

## HAYWARD CULINARY 823

All three meetings of this union will be held on the third Tuesday of the month, the first at 9:30 a.m., the second at 2:30 p.m., and the third at 8:00 p.m. at the union headquarters.

The next meeting will be held Tuesday, June 21,

At these meetings, nominations will be held for the California State Council of Culinary Workers and Bartenders and the California State Labor Federation conventions, to be held in Sacramento in August. The election will be held on Tuesday, July 19, 1960, at the union headquarters, 696 B Street, Hayward. Polls will be open 9 a.m. to 9 p.m.

Fraternally,  
ROY WOODS,  
Secretary-Treasurer

## CARPENTERS 1158

There was a Special Called meeting May 16, 1960 at 8:00 p.m. at Finnish Hall at 1970 Chestnut Street. In addition to the order of business, the special order was nomination of one trustee. The election will be on June 20, 1960, same time, same place.

Fraternally yours,  
NICK AFDAMO,  
Recording Secretary

## CARPENTERS 194, 1158 & 1473

The Business Agents' and Dispatchers' office is open Monday through Friday, 7:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. in the Labor Temple, 2315 Valdez St., Oakland, room 232, phone TWinoaks 3-1120.

## CARPENTERS 1473

Election of one trustee and a delegate to the Bay Counties District Council of Carpenters will be an added order of business at the June 17, 1960, meeting of Carpenters Local 1473 in Eagle Hall, 1228 36th Avenue, Oakland at 8 p.m.

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JACK W. KIRKMAN,  
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## CARPENTERS LOCAL 1149

Nominations will be open for the office of trustee at the Oakland meeting, 115 Broadway, on June 17, 1960. The election will be held at the Oakland meeting, 115 Broadway, on July 15, 1960.

Ballot boxes will be open on July 15, 1960, from 7:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. at 2085 - 3rd Street, San Francisco, and from 7:30 a.m. until 8 p.m. at 115 Broadway, Oakland.

Fraternally,  
JAMES ALLAN,  
Recording Secretary

## HAYWARD PAINTERS 1178

The welcome sign is always out to you all on the date of our meetings. The next meeting comes up Friday night June 3rd to act on such business as may regularly come before it. There is nothing special to consider as yet, but you never can tell what may come up; so it behooves us all to attend the meetings and take part in them. The nomination of officers took place at our last meeting. There will be a list of the nominees on the bulletin board for all to see. Election comes at a later date. You will be notified by post card as to the date. We'll see you Friday night, June 3.

Fraternally yours,  
ROBERT G. MILLER,  
Recording Secretary

## CARPENTERS 36

There will be no meeting Friday, May 27, 1960 as it is the Memorial Day week-end.

There will be a special called meeting, Friday, June 17, 1960, for the election of a Trustee (three year term) with the polls open from 12 noon to 10 p.m., at Carpenters Hall, 761 - 12th Street, Oakland, California.

All members are urged to vote June 7, 1960 at the Primary Election.

The Stewards will meet June 16, 1960, Thursday 8 p.m., at 761 - 12th Street, Oakland, California.

The Educational Committee will meet Wednesday at 8 p.m., June 22, 1960, at Carpenters Hall.

Fraternally yours,  
OSCAR N. ANDERSON,  
Recording Secretary

## HAYWARD CARPENTERS 1622

OFFICIAL NOTICE OF ELECTION. To elect one Trustee and Delegates of Local 1622, will be held Friday, June 10, 1960 at the Labor Temple, 1050 Mattox Road, Hayward. The polls will be open from 4:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. for voting. The Trustee office will be a 3 year term. The delegates will be to the California State Council of the United Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners of America, the California State Federation of Labor, AFLCIO, the Building and Construction Trades Council of Alameda County, Alameda County COPE and two members of the local's Sick Committee for three years.

Regular meetings will be held each Friday at 8:00 p.m. at the Labor Temple unless otherwise specified. A Stag Social for members will follow the May 27 meeting.

Fraternally yours,  
MARIUS WALDAL,  
Recording Secretary

## BERKELEY PAINTERS LOCAL 40

Our next meeting of May 27, 1960, has been designated a special call for the purpose of nominations for one trustee to serve a three-year term.

Fraternally yours,  
CLARENCE SLATER,  
Recording Secretary

## PAINT MAKERS 1101

Elections for the following offices will be held June 21, 1960, the time and place as designated by the president:

Business manager (financial secretary-treasurer) (three-year term), Peter J. Ceremello.

One trustee for Local 1101 (three-year term), Stacy Jefford, incumbent; Carl Lawler.

One trustee for health and welfare pension trusts (term in accordance with trust instrument), Woodfin Threats.

Warden (one-year unexpired term), Valente Sanchez.

The election is to be held from 2-9 p.m. June 21, 1960, in the union office, Room 104, 2315 Valdez St. All members are urged to cast their vote for their choice.

Shift workers please note that time has been allowed for you to vote.

The regular meeting for June will be held at 8 p.m. June 21, 1960, in Hall C, Labor Temple, 2315 Valdez Street, Oakland.

Fraternally yours,  
EDWARD MORGAN,  
Recording Secretary

## STEEL MACHINISTS 1304

Regular meeting Thursday, June 2, 8 p.m. Executive Board meets 6:30 p.m.

Nominations for all offices at 9 p.m.

Fraternally,  
D. ARCA,  
Recording Secretary

## PAINTERS LOCAL 127

SPECIAL NOTICE: Attention, Members!

At the special called meeting Monday, May 9, the members present voted to make the next meeting date Thursday, May 26, 1960. This will be a special meeting to nominate officers and delegates for your local for the next two years.

There was a good turnout for the last special meeting, and hope to see more at the next special meeting May 26.

Fraternally,  
ED GULBRANSEN,  
Recording Secretary

## UC EMPLOYEES 371

The next regular meeting has been postponed from June 11, 1960, to June 18, 1960, at which time we expect to have some information to pass on to the membership regarding the progress of the negotiations. There are also some other matters concerning the union that need your attention.

This meeting can be considered as a special one. And we hope to see you there. We also welcome these new members into the organization:

Andrew Jones, Oakland; Thomas Shade, Richmond; Alton S. Sneed, Rodeo; L. E. Gilbert, Richmond; Manual Anduha, Richmond; W. L. Tallent, Lafayette; Leroy C. Dye, Rodeo; Robert Sullivan, Richmond.

Fraternally yours,  
A. ROBERTSON,  
Secretary

## UNITED STEELWORKERS 4468

Regular meetings held 2nd Saturday of each month at 10:00 a.m. at Eagles Hall, 1228 - 36th Avenue, Oakland.

Election of candidates to the offices of local union president, vice president, recording secretary, financial secretary, treasurer, guard, guide and 3 trustees. Also grievance committeemen and chief shop stewards.

Election will be held at 729 - 37th Avenue, Friday, June 10, 1960.

Polls open at 6 a.m. and close at 4:30 p.m.

Fraternally,  
FRANK V. MCINTOSH,  
Recording Secretary

## STEAMFITTERS LOCAL 342

### NOTICE!

June 2, 1960 has been designated as a special called meeting for the purpose of voting by secret ballot on the application of our 25¢ increase, due under our collective bargaining agreement.

It is very important that you attend this meeting.

Fraternally yours,  
JAMES H. MARTIN,  
Fin. Sec'y, Bus. Mgr.

## CLERKS, LUMBER HANDLERS 939

A special called meeting will be held Friday, May 27, 1960, at 8:00 p.m. in Hall "A" at the Labor Temple.

This meeting is being held for the purpose of discussing negotiations for a new collective bargaining agreement. It is important that you attend this meeting.

Fraternally yours,  
A. R. ESTES,  
Recording Secretary

## Typographical Auxiliary

By ANNE HUBBARD

On Tuesday, May 10, the auxiliary met at the Jewish Community Center for election of officers for 1960-61, also to elect our delegate to the convention.

Mrs. Ermine Sullivan was elected as delegate and Mrs. Evelyn Wolters as alternate. Our officers elected this year were Mmes. Ermine Sullivan, president; Mary Stapleton, vice president; Dorothy Sporkin, secretary, and Elizabeth Fee, treasurer. The executive board will consist of Mmes. Freda Cripps, Phyllis Stratton and Evelyn Wolters. Mrs. Evelyn Hallahan installed officers.

We had as our gracious hostesses Mary Stapleton and Mae Marquand, and the tables were decorated with flowers out of the May basket. Thanks, ladies.

Our president was presented with a bouquet of flowers from a table which was our beautiful centerpiece. We were happy to see three new members. The next meeting will be June 2 at the home of Mrs. Lucy Cushing, and we hope to see you there.

Why not pass this copy of the East Bay Labor Journal to a friend of yours when you are finished reading it!

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## UAW protests GM's part-time work policy in Oakland

Arnold Callan, sub-regional director for the United Auto Workers, today protested General Motors Corp.'s refusal to maintain a 40-hour work week at its Fisher Body and Chevrolet plants in Oakland, as well as elsewhere.

Because of layoffs, cutbacks, short hours and short work weeks, the UAW says, workers, their families and the community are suffering.

The union proposes that the plants work three full weeks and shut down entirely for the fourth week.

In this way, all employees could draw unemployment insurance and supplemental unemployment benefits.

"It hardly makes sense to have a night shift working and then lay off about 500 men, with the rest on a part-time basis," Callan said, "when the sensible thing to do would be to consolidate the two shifts and work everyone 40 hours per week."

Despite the fact that profits are at an all-time high, the UAW charges, G.M. throughout the country is cutting production, laying off workers and shutting down plants one or two days a week.

This is unnecessary and constitutes a refusal of G.M. to live up to its moral responsibility to employees and the community, according to the union.

## Drug and Hospital Union wins bargaining rights

NEW YORK—Drug and Hospital Employees Local 1199 has won bargaining rights and a retroactive wage increase for 700 employees in a first contract with the University Hospital of the New York University-Bellevue Medical Center — AFLCIO News.

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## Mosk backs union rights of firemen

The right of firefighters to form or join a bona fide labor organization was sustained today in an opinion issued by Attorney General Stanley Mosk.

Sections of the Labor Code, amended in 1959, give firefighters the right to self-organization and to engage in collective bargaining on wages, hours and working conditions, but not to strike.

State Industrial Relations Director John F. Henning asked for the attorney general's clarification of the law as to whether the code applied to a chartered city. The case in point involved Palo Alto.

In ruling that the code applies to chartered cities, the opinion says that where a conflict exists between an act of the Legislature and a city charter, the Legislature will prevail except in matters of strictly local concern.

"Recognizing that the field encompassing the right of the individual workman to be free to organize and join labor unions is a matter of more than strictly local concern, sections 1960 through 1963, guaranteeing that right to firefighters, will prevail over conflicting laws of chartered as well as unchartered cities and counties," the opinion, prepared by Deputy Attorney General James A. Gaughran, says.

## Jos. Wilcox, IBEW 1245 shop steward, dies

Joseph Wilcox of 8776 Bancroft Ave., San Leandro, a shop steward for IBEW 1245, died suddenly May 16.

Wilcox was one of the founders of the Old Time Newsboys Club of Oakland and had acted as a second at Oakland professional fights for about 20 years. He had been employed by PG&E 33 years.

He leaves his wife, Mary Ellen; a son, Wilfred, of Concord; two stepchildren, five grandchildren and three great grandchildren. Also surviving is a sister, Agnes Hammond, of Vista.

A requiem mass was held at the Church of the Assumption, San Leandro, last Friday, with interment in Holy Sepulchre Cemetery.

### CLC helps out

Dick Groulx, CLC assistant secretary, reports helping settle a "rash of grievances" during the last week.

The one which came closest to a picket line involved the Roller Derby's use of six non-union stage hands at its show in Berkeley's Iceland. The management had used union stage hands in Oakland and finally saw the light in Berkeley, too.

## National labor: Meany attacks administration's health bill

NEW YORK—AFL-CIO President George Meany has charged that the administration advanced its plan for health insurance for the aged only after the issue "snowballed into emergency proportions" in the presidential election year.

He accused Chairman Wilbur D. Mills (D-Ark.) of the House Ways & Means Committee of surrender to the administration by introducing a "watered-down" version of the White House proposal. The Mills bill, Meany said, is "not in accord with the kind of action called for" by House Speaker Sam Rayburn (D-Tex.) and Senate Majority Leader Lyndon B. Johnson (D-Tex.).

Addressing a mammoth mid-day rally at Madison Square Garden on behalf of the AFL-CIO-backed Forand bill, Meany attacked the White House proposal—which would pay federal-state subsidies to private insurance companies—as "unworkable" and designed solely for "political purposes."

### LABORERS' BUILDING

WASHINGTON — The new headquarters building of the Laborers', 57 years old and 450,000-members strong, was dedicated here on May 14.

AFL-CIO President George Meany, reaffirmed labor's faith that America's strength rests in a trade union movement "that represents the human being rather than in the faceless corporations that represent material wealth."

Laborers' President Joseph V. Moreschi, secretary - Treasurer Peter Fosco and Under Secretary of Labor James T. O'Connell were other speakers.

### HOUSING LAG

WASHINGTON — The nation is faced with another "disastrous decline" in residential construction which could "pull the country down into the morass of another economic recession," the AFLCIO warned as it called for prompt congressional enactment of omnibus housing legislation.

Testifying before a Senate Banking subcommittee headed by Senator John J. Sparkman (D-Ala.), Boris Shishkin, secretary of the AFLCIO Housing Committee, called for construction of 2.3 million private homes annually for the next 15 years to meet national needs. Official Census Bureau figures show new housing starts are currently running at an annual rate of slightly over 1.1 million—down sharply from the 1959 rate of 1.3 million.

### ANTI-SCAB BILLS

PROVIDENCE, R. I. — Governor Christopher Del Sesto for the second time in recent days has vetoed an anti-scab bill aimed at banning the importation of strikebreakers into this state.

Since the Rhode Island gen-

eral assembly is no longer in session, the governor's action apparently kills anti-strike-breaking legislation in the state this year.

### MIGRANT CHILDREN

WASHINGTON — The AFL-CIO and other interested groups have called upon Congress for federal funds and other aids to state and local school agencies to help them serve the children of the nation's 500,000 migratory farm workers.

"During the last century, the labor movement worked to get children out of the mills and mines and into school," Andrew J. Biemiller, director of the AFL-CIO Department of Legislation, told a House Education subcommittee.

"In the twentieth century, America is overdue in getting children out of the fields of industrial agriculture and into school."

Biemiller expressed labor's support of a bill introduced by Subcommittee Chairman Cleveland M. Bailey (D-W. Va.).

## Your Congressmen

WASHINGTON, D.C. — Four boys from the Seventh Congressional District have won appointments to West Point, Annapolis and the U.S. Air Force Academy at Colorado Springs, according to Rep. Jeffery Colahan.

They are: William H. Hickox, 942 Oxford St., Berkeley, Colorado Springs; Robert C. Stricklin, 2313 Piedmont Ave., Berkeley, West Point, and Laurence Williams, 4288 Gilbert St., Oakland, and Steven Claassen, 815 Shattuck Ave., Berkeley, Annapolis.

All four passed physical and academic examinations given by the Army, Navy and Air Force.

Rep. George P. Miller has asked the Secretary of the Army to take another look at 55 acres of land adjacent to Golden Gate National Cemetery, San Bruno, which has been declared surplus by the Navy.

Pointing out that the national cemetery is rapidly becoming filled, Congressman Miller said: "I feel that this land already owned by the government could be put to no higher use than its dedication as the last resting place of our veterans."

The General Services Administration has the land up for disposal.

## Kansas City Council is backing \$1.25 minimum

KANSAS CITY, Mo. — The city council here has unanimously passed a resolution asking Congress to raise the minimum wage to \$1.25 an hour and extend coverage to 7,600,000 more workers. —AFLCIO News.

## Roosevelt twits them Un-Americans as dragon slayers

Congressman James Roosevelt, California Democrat, in a speech in the House on the record and status of the House Un-American Activities Committee, said:

If you accept the Committee's view of itself you see, if I may allegorize, a sturdy band of knights who, having pledged themselves to purify the land, ride forth to slay dragons. Their strength is the Strength of Ninety and their lances are unerring. They score a kill every time, never a mistake. It is true that occasionally a dragon reforms itself. These they consult, as well as other professional dragon-slayers, in order to learn where and how to find more of the vicious beasts.

Camouflage is a terrible problem. Dragons have been known to mask themselves as stray cows, or even as people who claim their land is safe and urge the knights to go home since they are trampling the crops. But the knights conquer these difficulties and find their quarry. Thus, the surest sign of a dragon is someone who denies he is one or who refuses to deny it when challenged at lance point.

Now, for all this crusading the knights pay a heavy price, as they will tell you. First, there are the disguised or misled who tell them to go home. Then there are the people who ignore them. Worse still are the dragons who fight; sometimes the whole band of knights comes back from a slaughter exhausted and with mud and dragons' blood all over their armor.

Finally, when they have gathered their strength again, they write their reports.

## Dollars to COPE give strikers hope

DALLAS, Tex. — A group of 317 Street, Electric Railway and Motor Coach Employees on strike 22 months against Continental Trailways has become the first Dallas union to hit 100 per cent in voluntary political contributions and their business agent explained why.

"The longer we are out on strike, the clearer we see the need for increased political activity," commented Charles Hunter, business agent for Bus Operators Local 1142. "On occasion after occasion, we have run into anti-labor bias on the part of elected public officials," he added.

Hunter said the strikers, who receive \$25 a week in benefits from their international, had paid their poll taxes and were ready to vote. He said the political aspect of the case was pointed up by the months-long delay on the part of the National Labor Relations Board in ruling on the union's unfair labor practice charge. —AFLCIO News.

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## NAM aiming big guns at common situs picketing bill

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bill during the current session of Congress.

The resolution points out that the Taft-Hartley law established an unjust and inequitable restriction on the rights of unions in the construction industry to engage in peaceful picketing.

Unfair application of the secondary boycott sections of the law to primary picketing in the construction industry has led President Eisenhower to recommend correction of this injustice in three different messages, the AFLCIO Executive Council added.

The council further points out the fact that House and Senate leaders made commitments during consideration of the Landrum-Griffin bill to bring the Kennedy-Thompson bill up for a vote by both houses this year.

"It is the judgment of the Executive Council," the resolution said, "that the adoption of the Kennedy-Thompson bill is necessary in the interests of simple justice, the preservation of wage standards in the building and construction industry and the protection of fair employers from the unfair competitive advantages of sub-standard employers."

A copy of the resolution was enclosed with Haggerty's letter. Also enclosed was the report of the House Labor Committee, which points out that passage of the bill is essential to prevent wage depression in the construction industry.

The bill could remove injustices brought about by the NLRB ruling in the Denver Building and Construction Trades case in 1949.

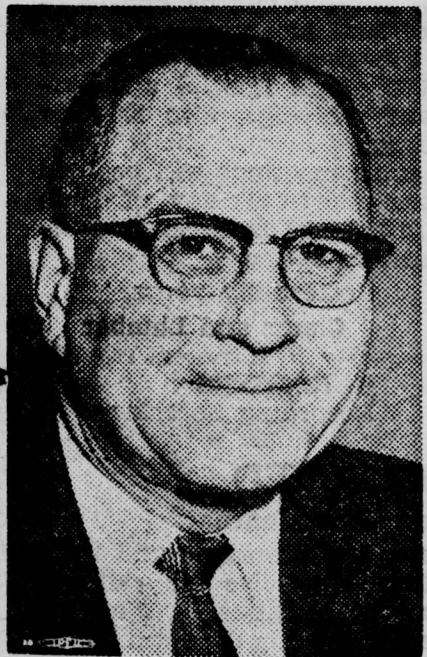
The Denver case arose when a general contractor sublet electrical work to a non-union electrical contractor who was paying his employees 42½ cents an hour less than union scale.

The Denver Building and Construction Trades Council picketed the construction job as unfair, and the NLRB ruled that the picketing violated the secondary boycott provisions of Section 8 (b) (4) (A) of the T-H law.

The committee report points out that this ruling is contrary to the spirit of the secondary boycott restrictions under the T-H law and set aside by passage of the new law.

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## Permanent State Conference on Apprenticeship set up

A permanent California Conference on Apprenticeship was formed as the outgrowth of a three-day meeting attended by more than 1,200 union and management job training experts in San Francisco last week.

It will meet every two years to keep apprenticeship programs up to date with respect to issues discussed at the meeting — the expanding need for apprentices, opportunities for minority groups, apprenticeship in civil service, and changing technology, to name a few.

One union and one management representative was elected to each of the conference's top offices, as follows:

W. H. Diederichsen, business manager of IBEW 617, San Mateo, and Philip Melnick, secretary of the Meat Dealers Association of Southern California, chairmen.

Charles M. Sanford, apprentice coordinator for the Los Angeles District Council of Carpenters, and Paul Stockburger, Fresno auto dealer, secretaries.

Peter Modica, business agent for the Los Angeles Bricklayers Union, and Frank Parcell, Redwood City sheet metal contractor, treasurers, and Chester W. Davies, secretary of Plumbers 78, Los Angeles; Edward J. Hibbert, personnel manager for the American Can Co., San Francisco, and Charles W. Patrick, assistant superintendent of San Diego city schools, trustees.

### PITTS WARNS

Thomas L. Pitts, secretary-treasurer of the California Labor Federation, AFLCIO, told the conference that "in an age of rapid technological development, security in the scarcity of journeymen is a fallacy."

We are not even replacing all of the skilled workers who die or retire, leave alone meeting the demand created by industrial growth and the growth of the labor force, Pitts warned.

"Over a period of years, in an expanding economy," Pitts said, "this could mean a serious loss in the overall skill content of a particular trade. Unions which have built their organizations around this skill content run the risk of destroying the very base of their organizations."

Changing skill requirements create a problem of communication between apprenticeship leaders and school counselors, Pitts pointed out.

He stressed that a better link with schools is especially important to minority groups "in the encouragement of skill development for the fulfillment of the promise that fair employment legislation holds out to the minority group individuals."

Both the governor and Pitts called for more attention to the

problem of apprenticeship under civil service. A recommendation was approved that civil service apprenticeship programs be upgraded to meet prevailing standards for these programs in industry.

Another recommendation called for encouraging contractors on state, county and city projects to hire apprentices.

Governor Brown said there are many able young people who would like to become apprentices but for whom places cannot be found.

"I learn that, in some cases, for example, there are 'waiting lists' of as many as a thousand well-qualified young men, taking the state as a whole, waiting for opportunities to become apprentice electricians," the governor said.

"Some of them may have to wait two or three years before their names come up for a job."

### GIANTS' LOSS

"Yet, we hear that construction of Candlestick Park was delayed because 'Charlie' Foehn, business manager of the San Francisco Electricians' Union, could not find anywhere in the West 50 or 60 journeymen needed to get the electrical work done."

"This may have been the reason the San Francisco Giants deferred the World Series until this year," the governor said jokingly.

John F. Henning, state director of industrial relations, warned that "American chances for free existence may well rest on the ability of skilled labor to maintain our productive superiority."

"To accomplish this, an effective system will be necessary to keep a constant supply of journeymen."

### STUMPF, MERRITT

William F. Stumpf, staff representative of the United Steelworkers of America in Alameda County, told a discussion group:

"Apprenticeship training for a skilled trade has one big advantage over college training for a profession—it offers experience along with dissemination of vital knowledge."

Ed T. Merritt, business representative for Automotive Machinists 1546 told another discussion group that 23 apprentice graduates in his union next month will replace 85 who retired or died last year.

"Unless we find a way to place more apprentices in more shops," Merritt declared, "increasing numbers of motorists will have to take their automotive problems to people who are improperly trained."

Look for the union shop card, ask for a union clerk to serve you, and demand the union label!

## Contra Costa cops may form a union

Contra Costa County deputy sheriffs and policemen of three of the county's cities have launched a move to organize a local of the United Professional Peace Officers Union.

The plan calls for the proposed local to be represented in negotiations by the Contra Costa County Employees Assn., which affiliated recently with the AFL-CIO American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees.

In addition to members of the Sheriff's office, police officers from Richmond, San Pablo and Martinez attended a meeting in Richmond at which the proposal was discussed.

A similar bargaining arrangement exists between the Fire Fighters Union and the Contra Costa Employees Assn. Deputy Sheriffs now belong to the Contra Costa Deputy Sheriffs Assn.

## New per capita tax amendment introduced

A new constitutional amendment proposal to require per capita tax voting in the Central Labor Council in officer elections and on constitutional changes was introduced this week by seven representatives of Automotive Machinists 1546.

Bud Williams offered the resolution. Other sponsors are Claude Carnahan, C. L. McMonagle, Robert Moss, Don Crossman, Pat Hannon and A. J. Hayes.

## No label, George?

The Central Labor Council of Alameda County will write AFL-CIO President George Meany, suggesting that when the AFL-CIO buys something it should "see that it has the union label on it."

The motion by Jack Austin of Typographical 36 was prompted by a comment by Ralph Kelly of Mailers 18 that a special section advertising the AFLCIO in the New York Times had no union label.

Why not pass this copy of the East Bay Labor Journal to a friend of yours when you are finished reading it!

## CTU 208 holds biennial shop stewards meeting

Commercial Telegraphers 208 held its regular biennial shop stewards conference Tuesday at Tiny's restaurant.

A report was given on status of contract negotiations. A strike vote was taken earlier this month.

At that time, Western Union had rejected the CTU's demands but offered five-cent hourly raises this year and five cents next year.

The offer was rejected by the union bargaining committee.

## Atlas-Pacific beef may go into arbitration

A grievance which arose because of a wage differential between San Jose and Oakland may go to arbitration between the Atlas-Pacific Engineering Co., Inc., of Emeryville, and Machinists 284, Dick Groulx, assistant secretary, told the CLC.

Members of Machinists 504, San Jose, received San Jose scale of \$2.79 for maintaining canning machinery at the Emeryville plant, where the scale is \$3.35, Groulx said.

Groulx stressed the importance of placing a time limit on grievance procedures.

## Clarence A. Lord named to mental health board

Clarence A. Lord of San Lorenzo, president of Communication Workers 9415, has been elected to the board of directors of the Alameda County Mental Health Assn.

He is also a member of the Alameda County United Fund budget committee.

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## Commies had good fun in Paris, San Francisco

The Commies have been having a lot of fun lately. In San Francisco they organized riotous demonstrations against the House Un-American Activities Committee which, as Congressman Jack Shelley says, practically guarantees the continuance of the committee's existence for the next 20 years. And in Paris they broke up the Summit Conference which they have been for years insisting should be held.

In both cases they get just what they want: troubled waters in which they can fish, confusion in which they can cavort.

Though the Paris mess is worthy of all the subtle speculation it is receiving and though it may result in the whole world being blown to smithereens, for the moment here in our own little frog pond we are more concerned with the smaller matter, that of the organized demonstrations in San Francisco.

Liberals, real Americans who despise the actions of the Un-Americans whether they be of the red variety or of the red-white-and-blue variety, will be wrangling among themselves for a long time about what happened in San Francisco. The Un-Americans of the red variety, meanwhile, can stand on the sidelines laughing: we'll be doing just what the Commies want us to do—quarreling among ourselves.

Consider this cohort of Stanford professors who rushed into print with an attack on the cops instead of on the Commies, telling what a fine bunch of mature decent students were misunderstood and mistreated by the S.F. gestapo. Look at the criticism of Mayor Christopher for saying, very sensibly, in our opinion, that the next time the Un-Americans want to stage their circus out here, they'll have to use a Federal building. No City Hall for them again!

The labor movement of Alameda County has long since expressed and has recently reaffirmed its attitude toward the Un-American Committee as a group of headline-hunters ignoring steadily the tradition of fair play. And we labor people here know that there are many students, many citizens other than students, who are with us in our attitude toward the Congressional Un-Americans.

But we labor people weren't born yesterday; we know a thing or two about how the Commies operate, and we join Jack Shelley, a good labor man who's been through the mill on this himself and knows what it's all about, in expressing resentment against what the Commies did, in expressing regret at the way it has strengthened the House Un-Americans, and, we might add, expressing determination to keep a sharp eye out for the shenanigans of these Commie conspirators in our county.

## The good San Luis news

It's good news that the House when passing the San Luis bill struck out the section specifically exempting the State portion of the big water project from the restrictions of Federal reclamation laws. No loophole must be left for the big landowners to sneak through in their long time effort to achieve unjust enrichment.

It will be remembered that when the Senate last year passed a similar bill, Senators Paul Douglas and Wayne Morse and the late Senator Neuberger led and won a terrific fight to strike out this same clause which the big landowners favored.

Governor Brown will continue to be asked to take the same action on the big water bond issue coming up in November.

### The Sign-Off

To friends and tolerators let me say:  
No man more happily ever went away,  
Not happy because I go, but happy, since  
Age bids me to go, you treat me like a Prince.  
Now, as the ancient Greeks did when retired,  
I hang my weapons, nouns bloodied and bemired,  
Axe-adjectives, and verbs with whetted blade,  
Though worn somewhat with long use in the trade,  
Upon my wall, and to what gods may be  
Of Labor's battles, return them lovingly,  
Placing beside them trophies you've bestowed  
Which are as green trees by the dusty road  
All old men travel. So, I now commend  
My successor to you as your scribe and friend.

—LB.

## Stop, That's Compulsion!



## 'THOUGH REVOLUTION IT IS WELL-DRESSED'

Following are excerpts from an address by Edward P. Morgan at the Sidney Hillman Foundation's 10th annual awards luncheon. Morgan, whose daily radio commentary is sponsored by the AFL-CIO, was one of five award winners honored.

Somebody suggested over a drink in Washington recently that what Americans need today is not a good five-cent cigar but a cause. We are squirming and groping for something to live for beyond frozen television tray dinners and motel swimming pools.

In an atmosphere of kickback and influence-peddling, we have forgotten a central truth: people are more important than anything. The fabric of our social system was woven to protect the individual with equal justice, to clothe him with freedom and self-respect. But somehow we have threaded into the garment the fat bulky strands of materialism, the tight dark thongs of selfishness, fear, prejudice and outright hatred. The garment has been twisted into a degrading shape.

Has anybody been ennobling the human species lately?

Down in Greensboro, N.C., last Feb. 1, a handsome 18-year-old freshman at the state Agriculture and Technical College, named Ezell Blair Jr., led three schoolmates to the lunch counter in a Woolworth's store and asked for service.

Thus, inauspiciously began an auspicious movement, the Negro sit-ins against segregation which have spread to nearly every state in the South.

Ezell Blair and his mates didn't know quite what they were starting, but they knew where they got their inspiration. They got it from Mohandas K. Gandhi. "I've never forgotten a television show I saw last year called the Pictorial Story of India," young Blair told a New York Times reporter. He was impressed with how the strength of Gandhi's passive resistance seemed to grow each time he was thrown into jail. Blair and his fellows like to think of themselves as part of a movement of "passive insistence."

This is a revolution. Here is a new generation of Negroes, well-dressed, college-educated, restrained, determined, asserting its constitutional rights to a freedom promised a century ago but never really fulfilled, North or South. We follow the news from Algiers, from Leopoldville, Capetown and Johannesburg with excited concern over the latest chapters in the unending history of men's struggle for independence. But to the convulsive developments in a liberation movement rising right under our noses in Miami, Atlanta, Char-

lotte, Orangeburg and Baton Rouge, we react with about as much attention as we ordinarily give the National Safety Council's figures on Memorial Day traffic deaths.

Let us not make the disastrous mistake of enshrining the Negroes as a population of paragons. There is evil, lethal delinquency and tragic corruption of leadership among them, too, and you only have to step up the street to Harlem to find evidences of both. But on balance, Negro demagogues do not begin to match the number or viciousness of the bullies of white supremacy and if erring Negro teen-agers have often been brutally violent in their rebelliousness, the duck-tailed delinquents of the white rock-'n'-roll set have no prouder record. Indeed, with the legacy of repression and prejudice which our Negro citizens have inherited, it is a monumental wonder that they have been able to hold on to their patience and restraint so well.

Ironically, the steadiness of their deportment has inspired some emotional inclination to endow them with certain superhuman faculties, which, when you stop to think about it, involves a sin of racial prejudice in reverse.

I have been guilty of this. Shortly after the explosion at Little Rock in the autumn of 1957 I found myself talking to Dr. Alfonso Elder, the Columbia-educated president of North Carolina College, a Negro school in Durham. I told him I had been deeply moved by the high courage of those nine Negro students as they went out utterly alone to run the gamut of hostility and danger and enter Central High. "I am not sure," I said, "that anybody else could have done that."

"You are wrong," Dr. Elder replied rather sharply. "Courage is a human trait, not restricted to any race. If the tables had been turned, white children would have behaved the same."

There, in a nutshell, was the whole lesson. The Negro is simply fighting for full and recognized membership in the human race, with all its inherent strengths and weaknesses.

### No more

There's talk of abolishing the exclamation point. People just aren't surprised at anything any more.—*Signalman's Journal*.

## OPINIONS

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### PG&E STREAM TAX PROPOSED

Editor, Labor Journal:

I would like very much to solicit your help in the Labor Journal for what several of my associates and I believe to be a substantial benefit to all the peoples of California.

I am a member of Glass Bottle Blowers Local 2. I am representing no one on this matter.

As you know and are very well aware, motorists pay for the use of streets and highways. Railroads pay for the use of their rights of ways. Fishermen and sportsmen pay for the use of fishing streams and hunting grounds.

But as far as several of my friends and I can learn, the PG&E pays nothing for the use of our rivers and streams.

You no doubt know what I may have in mind. I am speaking in the interests of vacationers in recreation and sports fishing and hunting. And for the time being, let me speak only of the Feather River country.

If you have been a resident of the State of California for any length of time, you know that the Feather River was at one time the finest fishing and vacation paradise in northern California. Not so today. It has been damned up several times and power plants are numerous on it and its tributaries.

I would like to get to the labor people of Alameda County through the Journal; acquaint them with the situation, and try to promote their power of the pen by writing to their representatives in Sacramento.

Because I believe that the PG&E should be taxed at least a token tax of one percent on their total gross sales of hydro electric power. And the proceeds of such a tax would be used exclusively for the purpose of conserving our natural fishing, recreation and hunting grounds.

GENE CHIPMAN,  
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### JOURNAL IS MADE OFFICIAL NOTIFIER

Editor, Labor Journal:

Please be advised of the following action taken at a regular meeting of Clerks and Lumber Handlers Union Local No. 939, held on Friday, April 22, 1960.

In the future the East Bay Labor Journal will be known as the official medium for notifying the membership of Local No. 939 of all Special and Important meetings, also Regular meetings.

Regular meetings will be held on the fourth Friday of each month in the Labor Temple, until further notice.

Fraternally yours,  
Clerks and Lumber  
Handlers No. 939  
A. R. ESTES  
Recording Secretary

### NEGLECTED

Editor, Labor Journal:

Many track workers and their families who live in railroad houses or shanties in Alameda County are being deprived of the minimum standards of health, sanitation and fire protection.

When will the local authorities pay heed to this potential health and fire hazard?

Sincerely,  
CHARLES WOLFE,  
Port Chicago, Calif.

### ENVY

Envy is a passion so full of cowardice and shame that nobody ever had the confidence to own it.—*Rochester*.